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Introducing Victor E. Tiger



From left: Sue Melk, Karen McMurray and Victor E. Tiger

THE newest member of the Valley High School student body is Victor E. Tiger—a mascot for the school's athletic teams.

The Valley Pep Club wanted to arouse more school spirit this year so Sue Melk, 17, a senior and president of the club, dreamed up the mascot.

She and Karen Stroud, 17, also a senior, worked four nights—one until 2 a. m.—making a huge tiger's head with a chicken wire frame and paper-mache covering.

To go with it are a sweat suit and tennis shoes. The entire outfit is painted with vivid orange and black stripes. They also made gloves and a tail.

Karen McMurray, 16, also a senior and vice-president of the pep club, is credited with naming the mascot.

But don't be deceived by Victor E.'s masculine moniker. The life-giving element beneath the Valley colors is Miss Stroud. The girls encountered one problem during Victor E.'s first appearance—Miss Stroud could neither see nor breath.

They've corrected those handicaps now and Victor E. has even traveled to his first game on foreign soil, the Valley game at Chariton.